

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 392 - SB 514

March 13, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a political subdivision of the state from entering into contingent fee contracts for legal services until certain requirements are met.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed language establishes the following requirements prior to any political subdivision entering into a contingent fee contract for legal services:
 - Provides written notice to the public containing certain information;
 - Approves the contract in an open meeting; and
 - The Attorney General and Report (AG) approves the contract terms.
- The AG is required to provide a report to the Speakers of the House and Representatives and Senate regarding any request for such contract which is denied. The AG will review contracts and provide the required report utilizing existing staff and resources; therefore, any fiscal impact to state government is considered not significant.
- The number of political subdivisions entering into contingent fee contracts for legal services is estimated to be minimal; therefore, any increase in local government expenditures for notifications and holding public hearings is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bojan Savic".

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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